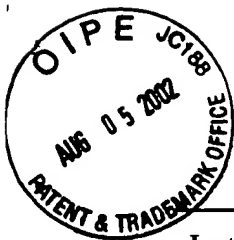


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REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action, dated March 29, 2002, the action said a three month shortened statutory period for filing the response which expired on June 29, 2002. Accordingly, a petition and fee for one month extension of time to and including July 29, 2002 is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer, as noted in detail

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